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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6802**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 243

**DATE PREPARED:** Dec 19, 2001

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Regulation of Certain Tall Structures.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                          **X DEDICATED**  
                          **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill creates new permit requirements for certain tall structures near a public airport. It applies obstruction standards to both existing airports and heliports. The bill requires that a permit from the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) must be approved for a regulated tall structure before a zoning change may be made for land that involves the structure.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2002.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** The Aeronautics Section of the INDOT issues about 1,000 permits annually. The provisions of this proposal will have no fiscal impact on the Aeronautics Section.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** The proposal provides for the recording of each permit issued by the INDOT with the county recorder not later than five days after the INDOT issues the permit. The specific fiscal impact on any county recorder will depend upon the number of permits issued in a particular county.

The proposal also provides for the plan commission to have received the permit or the determination of no hazard to navigation issued by the Federal Aviation Administration before a proposal involving a structure regulated under IC 8-21-10 may become effective. Any increase in expenditures will depend upon the number of permits granted.

In addition, the proposal also provides for the board of zoning appeals to have received the permit or the determination of no hazard to navigation issued by the Federal Aviation Administration before a proposal involving a structure regulated under IC 8-21-10 may become effective. Any increase in expenditures will depend upon the number of permits granted.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Transportation, Aeronautics Section.

**Local Agencies Affected:** County Recorder, Plan Commissions, and Boards of Zoning Appeal.

**Information Sources:** Maria Muia, Director of the Aeronautics Section of the Department of Transportation, 232-1477.